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SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO INDO-AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BOMBAY

1. GIRISH K. CHITALIA, PRESIDENT OF INDO-AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BOMBAY, HAS SENT TELEGRAMS TO THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT REQUESTING MESSAGE FOR J.F.K. MEMORIAL LECTURE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 25. DEPT. HAS DETERMINED THAT MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATE AND THEREFORE ASKS THAT, UNLESS CONGEN PERCEIVES ANY PROBLEM, FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM NEA DEPUTY ASST. SEC. DUBS BE SENT TO MR. CHITALIA.

2. "MR. GIRISH K. CHITALA, PRESIDENT, INDO-AMERICAN SOCIETY, BOMBAY, INDIA. DEAR MR. CHITALIA: ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT, I SHOULD LIKE TO EXTEND MY SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS TO THE INDO-AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
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BOMBAY UPON THE OCCASION OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL LECTURE ON HUMAN RIGHTS. THROUGHOUT ITS LONG EXISTENCE, THE INDO-AMERICAN SOCIETY HAS MADE AN IMPORTANT AND VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO THE PROMOTION OF BETTER RELATIONS AND UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

3. "PRESIDENT CARTER'S FORTHCOMING TRIP TO INDIA IS AN INDI-

CATION OF THE IMPORTANCE THE UNITED STATES ATTACHES TO ITS RELATIONS WITH INDIA. OUR TWO NATIONS ARE BOUND TOGETHER IN MANY WAYS -- THROUGH TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE, AND SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL TIES. BUT THERE IS NO GREATER BOND THAN OUR COMMON COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES OF DEMOCRACY.

4. "IN THE RECENT PAST, BOTH OF OUR NATIONS HAVE EXPERIENCED EVENTS THAT HAVE CAUSED US TO RE-EXAMINE THE UNDERLYING PRINCIPLES AND VALUES UPON WHICH OUR DEMOCRATIC FORMS OF GOVERNMENT REST. FOR OUR PART, OUR BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION BROUGHT WITH IT A NEW AWARENESS OF THE VITALITY AND CONTINUED RELEVANCE OF OUR FOUNDING PRINCIPLES. AMONG THESE PRINCIPLES, PERHAPS THE GREATEST WAS THAT WHICH WAS EXPRESSED IN OUR DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE -- THE INALIENABLE RIGHT OF EVERY PERSON TO LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS.

5. "THAT YOUR SOCIETY'S JOHN F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL LECTURE THIS YEAR FOCUSSES ON THE TOPIC OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS A SOURCE OF GREAT SATISFACTION TO US. THE PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS HAS BECOME A FUNDAMENTAL TENET OF THE FOREIGN POLICY OF THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION. IN THIS POLICY, WE EMPHASIZE THREE CATEGORIES OF HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH WE BELIEVE ARE THE UNIVERSAL RIGHTS OF ALL PEOPLE. THEY ARE EMBODIED

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IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, WHICH THE UNITED NATIONS ADOPTED IN 1948:

-- FIRST, THE RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM GOVERNMENTAL VIOLATION OF THE INTEGRITY OF THE PERSON;

-- SECOND, THE RIGHT TO ENJOY CIVIL AND POLITICAL LIBERTIES SUCH AS FREEDOM OF THOUGHT, OF RELIGION, OF ASSEMBLY; OF SPEECH; OF THE PRESS; FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE ONE'S OWN COUNTRY; AND THE FREEDOM TO TAKE PART IN GOVERNMENT;

-- THIRD, THE RIGHT TO THE FULFILLMENT OF SUCH VITAL NEEDS AS FOOD, SHELTER, HEALTH CARE, AND EDUCATION.

6. "THERE IS NO POWER LIKE THE POWER OF AN IDEA. THE IDEA OF HUMAN RIGHTS HAS A LIFE AND FORCE OF ITS OWN WHICH GOVERNMENTS CAN NURTURE OR OPPOSE, BUT NEVER EXTINGUISH. I COMMEND YOUR SOCIETY AS YOU DISCUSS THIS IMPORTANT IDEA, AND WISH YOU AND THE INDO-AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BOMBAY EVERY SUCCESS IN THE COMING YEAR. SINCERELY, ADOLPH DUBS, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NEAR EASTERN AND SOUTH

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